The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, January 6, 1729.

From the Evening Post, Dec. 28.

Vienna, Dec. 15.

THere is a People here who pretend to know, that Count Maurice of Saxony is to go into the Service of the King of Prussia in the Quality of General: This occasions a World of Speculation. Concerning the Grievances of the Kingdom of Hungary, since the Beginning of the Reign of the present Emperor only, we are informed they fill no less than 286 Skins of Parchment, besides those of the Protestants, who requested that they may be examined and determined in Hungary, and not at Vienna. As to the incorporating of Part of Hungary with Austria, that seems to be laid aside.

Paris, Dec. 31. Here is Advice from Madrid, that their Catholick Majesties are not well pleased with the Conduct of the Duke de Bournonville; and 'tis confidently said, he will no longer be employed in the Negociations of the Congress, but that his Catholick Majesty will appoint another Plenipotentiary in his stead, when those of other Powers return to Soissons.

The Prodigious Number of French Ships taken by the Corsairs, makes our Court suspect that the Regency of Tripoli grants Commissions to other Barbarians; therefore Orders have been sent to the Consuls of this Nation, who reside with other Regencies and the Towns of the Levant, to observe very carefully, whether any Ships belonging to the Ports where they reside, do bring in any French Prizes, under Commission or Colours of Tripoli, and if they should discover any such Practices, make proper Complaints.

Orders have been sent to Marseilles, for arming three Gallies, which will be sent next Spring to the Coast of Barbary, along with the Squadron designed for the Expedition against Tripoli.

On the 3d Count Golofskin, Ambassador and Plenipotentiary of the Czar, gave a great Repast to several Foreign Ministers. The same Day Mr. Walpole gave a splendid Dinner to several Foreign Ministers, and the next Day that Minister, together with his Excellency Mr. Stanhope, set out from hence with all their Domesticks, to return to London, for which Place their Secretaries began their Journey the Day before: They had some Days before taken their Audience of Leave; and 'tis assured that their Excellencies will return hither soon after the Opening of the Parliament of Great Britain.

On the 25th M. Dodart, the King's first Physician, was seized with a Palsy in his Throat, for which he took the Emetick, after having been twice let Blood.

London, Dec. 28. A certain Gentleman unknown, but supposed to be possest of a good Estate, and also endued with a Charitable Disposition, hath lately sent and paid for Lists of all poor Debtors in the several Goals of this City, with an Account of their respective Debts; in order, as 'tis hoped, to discharge some, and at this hard Season, to give some Relief to others. The doing of which will be highly commendable, and afford a good Example to Men of Wealth.

By Letters from Spain we have Advice, That Joseph Gage Esq; Brother to the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Gage, has obtained of the King of Spain, a Grant of all the Silver Mines hitherto discovered in Spain, several of them having been found rich; but Water rising so largely upon the Works, they were forced to be discontinued, which Mr. Gage has found a Way to drain; and the Works go on successfully. The King has reserved an eighteenth to himself.

From the St. James Evening-Post, Decem. 28.

Hamburg, Dec. 31. We learn from Saxony, that a certain Collonel was by Order of the King of Poland, brought Prisoner from Freyburg to Dresden, being accused of great Misdemeanors; and that he offered 50,000 Rix Dollars to be exempted from Prosecution; but that this was rejected.

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From the Whitehall Evening Poſt, Dec. 26.

Petersburg, Dec. 11 They are eſtabliſhing here, by the Emperor's Order, a great Woollen Manufacture, in which the moſt skilful Foreigners are to be employed, who are arrived here for that end, and they will make a Beginning in working upon Cloth for the Service of the Troops of his Imperial Majeſty.

Letters from Olonitz adviſe, that a Fire having broke out in the Arſenal of that City, all the Magazines had been infallibly blown into the Air, if ſome Workmen had not by their Diligence, at the Peril of their Lives, removed the Barrels of Powder.

London, Decem. 28. Yeſterday the Relations of the Marquis and Marchioneſs of Caernarvon were invited to the Duke of Chandois's in St. James's Square, where there was a moſt magnificent Entertainment prepared for them, on account of the new married Couple.

From the Poſt Boy, Decem. 28.

Paris, Dec. 24. People here long mightily to hear of the Arrival of the Galleons in ſome Port of Spain. 'Tis talked here that the Queen is with Child again.

London, Decem. 28. Yeſterday was ſettled the Form of the Government of Portmahon and Gibraltar; and we hear they are to conſiſt of a Mayor, ſix Aldermen, 12 Common council men, and at each Place a Biſhop, according to that of the City of London.

Baron Bothmar, we are informed, will ſhortly ſet out for Hanover upon a certain extraordinary Affair.

The Fowl mentioned in this Paper on Wedneſday laſt, was ſhot Yeſterday as he was flying from the Steeple of St. Mary le Bow, and is now to be ſeen at St. Martin's Coffeehouſe in St. Martin's le Grand. His Fellow is ſtill thereabouts.

Petersburg, Decem. 1. The Governor of Derbent writes, That the Perſians continue quiet in their Quarters, ever ſince the General Sandal Chan was defeated by the Ruſſians; That the greateſt Part of the Troops of Sultan Eſref were gone to join him near Iſpahan, where he was obliged to fortify himſelf, to avoid being ſurprized by his Enemies; and that it was expected, that before the next Spring, the Ruſſian Generals will oblige him to ſign the Treaty of Accommodation, about the which, they have had ſeveral Conferences with his Miniſters.

Tho' the Work in the Docks is ſuſpended ſince the Froſt began, the Carpenters and other Officers have their Pay continued as when working, leſt for want of it they ſhould be obliged to return to their own Countries. Several of the Ships now on the Stocks are for Foreign Parts.

The Ingeneer who undertook the cutting a new Road through the Woods between this City and Moſcow, have performed that Undertaking to the Satisfaction of our young Monarch, that his Majeſty has been pleaſed to reward this Piece of Service with a conſiderable Penſion, and a Brevet of Lieutenant-Collonel. The ſaid Road will be kept in Repair with little Trouble and Charge, becauſe it runs thro' Woods; and the way of that Country is, inſtead of paving with Stones, to lay tall ſlender Trees cloſe to each other, acroſs the Road.

Hague, Jan. 4. We are aſſured that Mynheer Peſters, Firſt Plenipotentiary of this State at the Congreſs of Soiſſons, has obtained their H. Mightineſſes Leave to make a Tour hither from Paris.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Dec. 31.

Since our laſt arrived a Mail from Holland.

His Majeſty, beſides what was mentioned in our laſt, promiſed the Directors of Greenwich Hoſpital, that the old Buildings complained of ſhould be demoliſhed, and the Ground given to the Hoſpital; but as to the Tonnage of the North and South Forelands in the County of Kent, he would take Time to conſider thereof, but ſignified that he might perhaps in the Summer viſit them. Money is appointed by the Treaſury for paying the Arrears due to the Penſioners of the Cheſt of Chattham to Lady Day laſt.

His Royal Highneſs the Prince, has given in a conſiderable Sum out of the Privy Purſe for Relief of great Objects of Charity, during the preſent hard Weather: Notwithſtanding the Severity thereof, there is an Account by private Letters, that on Tueſday laſt happened at a certain Village in France called Ivigny, ſuch a terrible Clap

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of Thunder, attended by Lightning, that a Farmer's House was intirely consumed thereby.

There is now so much Ice on the River Thames that the Navigation thereof is almost stopt; and the Roads by deep Snows rendered so difficult to travel, that most of the Inland Posts, especially from the West of England, come in 14 or 15 Hours later than usual.

Sunday last his Majesty, with the Prince and the three eldest Princesses, dined in Publick in the great Hall Room at St. James's; the Dutchess of Dorset carved, and the Earl of Albemarle served the Wine.

Sir Richard Mead, who lately arrived from Ireland was introduced to the King, and had the Honour to kiss his Majesty's Hand.

The Affair relating to the Incorporating Gibraltar after the English Model, goes on with much Application, several of our Merchants being gone this Day to the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, to nominate fit Persons for the Mayor, six Aldermen, and twelve Common-Council-Men for the said Town.

The fixed and immoveable Resolutions of the Government for maintaining our most valuable Rights and Possessions, and the unanimous Concurrence of all our Allies, must make us wonder how the Spaniards can persist in their Claims and Pretensions, as mentioned in some of the Papers, and continue to obstruct the Propositions of the Allies of Hanover, among whom there is the strictest Harmony and Union that can possibly be.

'Tis wrote from Amsterdam of the 6th of January N. S. That they had an Account from Paris, that his Most Christian Majesty had promised to enter into all the Measures which the King of Great Britain should judge proper, particularly in Relation to the Affair of East Friesland.

According to what is wrote from Vienna, an Officer was arrived there from Count Daun, Governor of the Milanese, with Dispatches of such Importance, that Orders were immediately sent for 4 Regiments of Foot, 2 of Hussars and one of Cuirassiers, to march and reinforce the Troops on the Frontiers of the Milanese, towards Tuscany.

It seems, by what is wrote from Milan, That the Great Duke was so dangerously ill as to be put Hopes of Recovery; and that in the mean time the Marquis de Monteleone, Ambassador of Spain at the Court of Parma, was executing a Commission of Importance, supposed to be in the Interest of the Infant Don Carlos.

We hear that the Merchants above mentioned, represented among other Things, That if People were suffered to purchase such Lands and Houses as are at Gibraltar, fit Persons would soon be found for Mayor, Aldermen, &c.

Monsieur Hartoff has laid before his Majesty the Route to Hanover, and the Expences that attended his late Majesty's Journey thither.

S. S. Stock, 98.

From the Evening Post, Decem. 31.

Bologna, Decem. 11. On Sunday Evening last the Pretender and the Princess his Consort, went to Divine Service in their Parish-Church. Prince Pamphili, one of the Senators of this City, is set out for Rome.

Lisbon, Nov. 25. Men are actually at Work to unlade the Fleet from Rio de Janeiro, which came into this Port the 19th of this Month; and of the 8 Millions of Crusados this Fleet has brought hither, 3 Millions and an half are for the King.

Warsaw, Dec. 18. M. Urbanowitz a Russian General, arrived here a few Days ago. Prince Dolhorucki, who has formerly resided for some Time in Quality of Ambassador from the Czar, is expected here with the same Character.

Stockholm, Dec. 16. The King being come back here from Drontingholm, will remain here some Time. His Majesty is assiduously present at the Deliberations of the Senate, on Account of some Dispatches brought hither from London and Paris; and after these Couriers shall have received his Majesty's Answer, the King and his Highness Prince George of Hesse Cassel, will divert themselves at a great Hunting of Bears and Wolves, prepared for them 10 Leagues from this City. The King having resolved to put the Queen's Chapel Musick upon a better Foot, has enlarged the Salaries of some of the best Voices among them, and to make it the more compleat, has sent for some very good Musicians from Germany.

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From the St. James's Evening-Post, Dec. 31.

Hague, Jan. 4. The States have received Advice from the Subdelegates of the Imperial Commission in East-Friesland, setting forth, That it is not in their Power to prolong any further the Term (which is now expired) for the Submission of the Renitents; but that they shall not proceed to Execution till they receive further Orders from Vienna.

Paris, Decem. 2. We are assured from Soissons, That nothing relating to the Congress will be transacted there till the Mind of his Catholic Majesty was fully known, which was not likely to be till after the Holidays, and also the Return of the Galleons.

Hanover, Decem. 28. Baron Bulau, Chief General of the Troops of this Electorate, has received fresh Orders from London to continue the new Levies, and to inlist none but well-shap'd Men, and none but those who shall voluntarily enlist themselves.

Edinburgh, Jan. 6. Last Week died at his Country Seat, Alexander Abercromby of Glashaugh, Esq; Deputy Governor of Inverlochy, Captain in the Royal Regiment of Scots Fusileers commanded by the Hon. Brigadier Sir James Wood, and late Member of Parliament for the Shire of Banff.

Thursday last the Rt. Hon. Earl of Loudon, the Hon. Collonel George Douglas, Collonel Charles Cathcart, John Campbell, Esq, late Lord Provost of this City, with others of Quality and Distinction, went hence for London.

On Friday Night, the Honourable Society of Hunters had a magnificent Ball, where was a numerous Company of Nobility and Persons of Distinction of both Sexes.

This Day, it is High Water at Leith, at 2 a-clock, 20 Minutes. Tomorrow, at 3, 8 Min. On Wednesday, at 3, 56 Min.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

¶*¶ The CREDITORS of GEORGE HUME late of WHITFIELD are by this advertised to meet at the Laigh Coffeehouse on Monday next the 13th Instant, at 3 a-clock after Noon: When some Matters will be under Deliberation which concern the common Interest of all the Creditors, and can admit of no Delay. Such as cannot attend, are desired to empower their Doers to act for them.

¶*¶ By Order of a Quorum of the Trustees for the Creditors of Mr. John Fairholm of Baberton, the said Creditors are desired, by themselves or their Doers, to meet at John's Coffeehouse upon Thursday next the Ninth current, at 5 a-clock after Noon, upon several Affairs of Importance to the Creditors.

¶¶¶ These are to advertise, That the Annual General Meeting of the Members of the EDINBURGH FRIENDLY INSURANCE against Losses by Fire, is to be held on Monday the 13th of January Inst. in Mary's Chapel in Niddery's Wynd, at 3 a-clock after Noon.

‖¶‖ To be sold by Roup to the highest Bidder, at Thornhill in the Shire of Drumfries, upon the 16th of February next, a large WOOD of fine old OAK Timber, growing upon the Barony of Keir, about 7 Miles from the Town of Drumfries. The Conditions to be seen in the Hands of John Dalrymple of Waterside, at his House near Thornhill, or John Neilson of Chapel, at his House in Drumfries, or Thomas Goldie Writer to the Signet, at his Writing-chamber in Brounhill's Square, Laun-market, Edinburgh.

To be Sold,

A LODGING consisting of Six Fire-Rooms, (being the Fourth Storey of Elphingston's Land, entring up the Scale-Stairs at the Head of Kinloch's Close, on the South-side of the High Street, Edinburgh) with a Cellar belonging thereto. Whoever inclines to purchase, may enquire at HEW FLEMYNG, Writer to the Signet, at his Chamber, 1st Stair of the Luckenbooths, next the Cross.

¶¶ The Latin School of MUSSELBURGH being now vacant by the Death of the worthy Mr. Laurence Stoddart, The Magistrates and Town Council of the said Burgh, do hereby invite all *Persons*, who judge themselves duly qualified for that Office, and are willing to undergo a comparative Trial before competent Judges for the same, to attend at the House of Thomas Tod Clerk of Musselburgh, on Saturday the Eighteenth of January Inst. by ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, in order to their undergoing their said Trial. The Candidates are likewise desired at any Time before, to lodge in the said Clerk's Hands proper Certificates of their past Behaviour. They may expect that Justice will be impartially done them, and the Person preferred shall meet with all due Encouragement from the Magistrates and Council.

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